

Lost Three Billion Days.
Warning for Republicans.
600,000 Will Be Idle.
Science Hunts the Wicked.

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All that we have represents so many days' labor—labor with muscles, brain machines, scientific instruments.

Labor has made everything from books to bath tubs; from schools to prisons; from baby carriages to railroads.

And the worst waste is waste of labor.

For two years the average of idleness in this country has been five million men. In two years that means a waste of three thousand million days' labor.

We talk of high taxes, expensive government, etc. What does it all amount to compared with the loss in two years of 3,000,000,000 days of work? Put the value—gross—of a day's work at \$4 and you have a loss of \$12,000,000,000 in two years, enough to pay all of Europe's debts to us and leave a billion over for a bonus.

That terrific loss continues, and the Government is calm about it. The money is only lost forever, not paid out visibly, so intelligent statesmen continue worrying about the little things.

There is just one important problem—idle labor, wasted wealth, the only REAL wealth.

James G. Blaine's old Congressional district in Maine went Republican on Monday by a majority cut down from 19,257 in 1900 to 7,000 in 1922, a loss of nearly two-thirds, and a serious warning to Republicans in the big election coming.

Four things figured in the loss of Republican votes:

First, the entangling treaty with Europe, proposed by Republicans, sixteen months after a million plurality against any league of nations.

Second, the soldiers' bonus and the "we can't afford it" chorus.

Third, the cutting of wages, with the Administration apparently setting the example in railroad control.

Fourth, perhaps most important, the millions without work; the Republicans should never forget the dinner pail.

Nine days hence, if nothing is done to prevent it, 600,000 coal miners will go on strike. Business men are calculating how long "it" will last. Six months, some say; three months say others. Railroads and factories have laid in coal supplies, more or less, but not enough, and if the strike lasts there will be idleness of millions, distress, great loss for the nation.

The curious thing is that to stop it through arbitration, forced or otherwise, is no one's business. We fight foot-and-mouth disease, floods, forest fires. But the great industrial disease we treat as ancient times treated the plague—just sit down and watch it.

Wireless telegraph and telephone are used to hunt runners on the Canadian border, and to prescribe for sick at sea, on ships without a doctor. Flying machines are used to find the herds of fur seals, directing sealing boats by wireless. A criminal's fingerprints can be sent, to identify him, by wireless telephotography. What is there that man cannot do, and where shall the guilty—or the innocent—hide?

How to kill adult mosquitoes, survivors of last year, before they lay their eggs? How to kill the codlin moth and other orchard pests? This writer thought he had invented the method: Bright lights at night to attract the insects. Under each light a wide open mouth, connected with a vacuum cleaner suction pipe, to pull the creatures down to a destructive oil bath.

It seemed simple, but the agricultural authorities said, "You would kill off all the useful, necessary insect life that fertilizes plants and renders other services. Your cure would be worse than the disease."

Interfering with Nature's balance is dangerous. Out West coyotes killed lambs. A bounty was paid for the coyotes. Then swarms of field mice ate all the alfalfa. The sheep starved. Coyotes had been killing the field mice.

WEATHER

Fair tonight and Thursday; lowest temperature tonight slightly below freezing; slowly rising temperature Thursday; diminishing northwest winds, becoming variable.

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IRISH REVOLT PLANNED

DE VALERA ADHERENTS PREPARED FOR COUP

Overthrow of Free State to Be Attempted, Says Official of Army.

By DANIEL O'CONNELL, International News Service.

DUBLIN, March 22.—A revolutionary coup to overthrow the government of the Irish Free State will be attempted next week, it was declared here this afternoon by Roderick O'Connor, chief engineer of the Irish Republican Army.

Hold Convention Sunday.

According to O'Connor, the movement against the Dublin government will be made by Republicans, or adherents of Eamonn de Valera.

"It is certain that a coup d'etat will be launched against the Collins-Griffith government next week," said O'Connor. "Despite the refusal of Arthur Griffith to allow the Irish Republican Army to hold a convention it will be held anyhow on Sunday. Eighty per cent of the I. R. A. is loyal to the republic. The men will refuse to take orders from Griffith or Richard Mulcahy."

Councilman Corcoran Freed.

Griffith is president of the Dail Eireann, or Sinn Fein parliament. Mulcahy is minister of defense in the Irish provisional government. Michael Collins is minister of finance, but is really the "strong man" of the government.

Councilman Corcoran, of County Connaught, who had been arrested by members of the Irish Republican Army, was released today. Corcoran was charged with recruiting police for the Irish Free State, thus causing disaffection in the Irish Republican Army.

Ulster Frontier Quiet.

By International News Service. LONDON, March 22.—Although advices from the Ulster frontier were meager, it was believed today that the situation is quieting down, following the fresh flare-up of guerrilla fighting yesterday.

Some parts of County Tyrone are scenes of abject desolation. Farms, houses and stables had been burned and fences torn down and stray cattle and horses were wandering over the countryside.

Re-enforcements of special constables have been sent to the border by the Belfast government.

Ulsterites Take Prisoners.

By International News Service. BELFAST, March 22.—Many Republican prisoners and a large quantity of rifles were captured by the Ulster constabulary in the Sperrin mountains (County Tyrone) during the last twenty-four hours. The constables have been carrying out a systematic search of Sinn Fein haunts.

JAPS HOPE GENOA WILL SAFEGUARD INTERESTS

LONDON, March 22.—The Japanese attending the meeting of allied experts, who are preparing details of the agenda for the Genoa economic conference today, made proposals designed to safeguard Japanese commercial interests in Siberia.

The action of the Japanese experts indicates that Japan is going to bring up the question of Siberian trade when the Genoa conference opens. There is every prospect of a clash between the Japanese and the Russians at the meeting as the Russians refuse to recognize any trade rights in Siberia.

BOSTON GIRL STUDENT SLAIN, POLICE HEAD SAYS

BOSTON, Mass., March 22.—Letters of Otto Haldor Larsen, Pauline Virginia Clark's Norwegian student lover, whose suicide followed closely the girl's death at a gay party in her Back Bay apartment show she was murdered, Superintendent of Police Michael Crowley said today.

Larsen admitted in the letters that he prepared the poison.

Medical Examiner George Burgess McGraith contended the death was a suicide.

Workman Appointed Director in Firm Yardman Will Help To Direct Philadelphia Rapid Transit Co.



JOHN W. McELROY.

Yardman, is one of the five new directors of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company elected to replace the insurgent directors who were ousted by President Mitten. McElroy is president of the Co-operative Welfare Association and lives in a tenement with his wife and son.

GIRL RESUMES STORY AGAINST 'TEX' RICKARD

Promoter Spends Second Night In Tombs—Jury Locked Up in Hotel.

By International News Service. NEW YORK, March 22.—Fifteen-year-old Sarah Schoenfeld, dark complexioned, black haired and rosy checked, faced a courtroom filled only with male occupants again today and continued her testimony of her alleged relations with George L. "Tex" Rickard, famous sports promoter, during September, October, November and December last year.

It was as a result of the story told previously by this girl and four or five others, that Rickard was indicted on three serious charges, each carrying a prison sentence.

The girl was questioned for an hour and a half just before court closed yesterday. She was urged by Assistant District Attorney Ferdinand Pecora and Supreme Court Justice Wasservogel, before whom the case is being tried, to tell "everything." Rickard spent his second night in Tombs jail last night, while members of the jury were locked up together in a local hotel.

Rickard smiled and bore a general air of confidence as he entered court. The Schoenfeld girl was at once called to the stand to continue her direct examination. She discarded her tam o'shanter and coat, revealing a white middie blouse. Her plaid skirt reached just below her knees.

Tells of First Meeting.

In response to questions the girl told of meeting Rickard after his arrest on January 21, 1922. She said she had arranged the meeting herself by calling Rickard on the telephone. She and her girl chum, Nellie Gasko were met by a chauffeur near Madison Square Garden.

When they got into the motor car they found Rickard there. He took them for a drive through Central Park.

The girl said that Rickard gave her and her chum \$20 each during the automobile ride.

Harding Orders Adequate Navy

WALSH AND LA FOLLETTE TURN BIG GUNS ON FOUR-POWER PACT

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"Once this more receptive mood has been reached, it is believed that the street railway companies themselves will come forward with proposals of a practical character, differing therein with the generalities in which they hitherto indulged regarding a merger proposal."

Says Tax Affects Fares.

"When the merger has actually taken place, it will be expedient, in the opinion of the commission, of taxing gross receipts as being in accordance with the policy of Congress and on the whole offering the smallest opportunities for depriving the public treasury of a just return for privileges conferred. It should be noted, of course, that any gross receipt tax on the traction companies is, to the extent of its amounts, an addition to the cost of transportation and is thereby reflected in the rate of fare which must be imposed."

Colonel Keller also called attention to the fact that "to permit the Washington Railway and Electric Company to absorb the Potomac Electric Power Company before merging with the Capital Traction Company will involve the two railway companies any incentive toward a larger merger, since the present financial disadvantages alleged to be experienced by the Washington Railway and Electric Company would, by the absorption of its subsidiary, be completely removed and its position with the bankers and the public would become fully as strong as that of the Capital Traction Company."

Plan Based On Rail Act.

The Commissioner also points out that the plan of starting the taxation of excess profits at 6 per cent is based upon a corresponding provision in the Esch-Cummings act and that the limit of earnings, 6 per cent, is justified by the fact that through legislation such as is enforced here in Washington, the street railway system has become stagnant and profits are practically certain, and that this certainly justifies the adoption of a lower rate of return than would be proper in a hazardous class of business.

U. S. TRAILS JUNK TRUST FOR EVASION OF TAXES

The Government is after the "junk trust" for evading taxes. Millions of dollars have been withheld from the Government by junk dealers in the Esch-Cummings act, and the Treasury Department today said that it had evidently been started from a lighted cigarette carelessly tossed aside.

The fire a week ago damaged a desk near the center of the Capitol.

Revenue experts are at work on the books of such concerns in New York, Philadelphia, Chicago, Pittsburgh, and St. Louis, and indictments and prosecutions are expected to follow.

HARVEY PRESENTS U. S. DUN FOR RHINE UPKEEP

LONDON, March 22.—George Harvey, American Ambassador to England, is presenting a circular note to the allies insisting upon America's right to payment of \$241,000,000 for the upkeep of the American army of occupation on the Rhine and asking that the allied powers recognize the validity of Washington's claims, it was learned this afternoon.

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Olive Oil King And Son Who Were Held Up by Bandit



NATHAN MUSHER.



ALBERT MUSHER.

OLIVE OIL KING ROBBED AT GUN POINT IN STUDY

Nathan Musher Surprised by Negro as He Sits in Library of Home.

Nathan Musher, president of the Nathan Musher Company, Inc., importers, also known as the Pompeian Olive Oil King, was held up at the point of a revolver and robbed of \$113 by a negro bandit while he was in the library of his home at 2849 Connecticut avenue shortly after 8 o'clock last night.

After getting the money, the robber threatened to kill the importer and his son, Albert Musher, seven years old, if they made an outcry while he escaped from the house.

Answering the doorbell, Albert Musher was confronted by the robber.

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ALLIANCE ASSAILED AS PERIL TO PEACE

Massachusetts and Wisconsin Senators Denounce Imperialistic Aims.

By International News Service.

The four-power Pacific treaty was played in the Senate today by Senator Walsh of Massachusetts, as certain to "lead the American people away from peace, from independence, and plunge them into international jealousies and entanglements, ceaseless trouble, misunderstandings, questionable practices, stultification—and wars."

Reasons for Opposition.

Walsh summed up his reasons for opposing the treaty as follows:

(1) "In principle, it departs from the past American practice of keeping out of international entanglements over territorial integrity or political independence."

(2) "It is not, as it is now drawn, inclusive of all possible nations to a dispute and, hence, unjudicial."

(3) "It is an alliance of large powers for mutual defense of rights which will, if world history is correct, inevitably result in the creation of other alliances to counteract its influence and activity."

(4) "It alienates friendly powers like Russia and China, who will regard the treaty as being directed toward a hostile alliance against their interests and security."

(5) "It compels recognition of foreign rights we know to have been acquired by force and to be held in contravention to democratic notions."

"Implies Use of Force."

(6) "It implies the use of force for its fulfillment whenever unarbitrable controversies are at issue."

(7) "It extends our protection, which the other parties are so often apt to need, in return for territorial protection which we always have, could and should furnish ourselves."

(8) "It subordinates national self-respect in paying participation in this treaty as the price for the abrogation of the Anglo-Japanese treaty."

(9) "It is either antagonistic to the League of Nations or it threatens to involve our tacit recognition of the functions and work of the League in case any of our allies submit a dispute involving their Pacific rights to that body."

(10) "On the whole, it would prevent America from passing independent judgment on questions in dispute between nations."

La Follette Opens Attack.

In an impassioned speech opening his first attack on the treaty, Senator La Follette of Wisconsin, described it to the Senate today as "an unholy combination of powers" formed for the purpose of "exploiting prostrate Russia, Germany, and China."

"It is true," he said, "that Germany and Russia are now prostrate, and China impotent. But that condition will not last long. The day will come when those great countries, with their unnumbered millions, will recover their strength."

BOLSHEVISM IN COLLAPSE A series of ten brilliant articles by the anarchist who entered Russia with high hopes, but emerges disillusioned and awakened to the truth By Emma Goldman Begins in The Washington Times Next Sunday